Statement

Extent of increase in Power Tariff in Gujarat Industrial/Commercial/Others/(Railway Traction) Traiff revised from 21-5-1993

Agricultural Tariff revised from 1-6-93		
Agricultural	Prior to Revision	As per Revision
(i) Contract upto 7.5 HP . . .	Rs. 192/HP/per annum	Rs 350/HP/1
(ii) More than 7.5 HP	Rs. 360/HP/per annum	Rs 600/HP p a
(iii) Metered Tariff	..	Rs 0.50/Kwh
Industrial ;		
(i) LT	Paisa 184/Kwh	Paisa 209 KWh
(ii) HT	Paisa 187/Kwh	Paisa 207/Kwh
Commercial	Paisa 177/Kh	Paisa 212/Kwh
Others		
Railway Traction;	Paisa 180/Kwh	Paisa 215/Kwh

Setting up of a Power Project in Gujarat by Ahmedabad Electricity Company Ltd.

569. SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PTEL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ahmedabad Electricity Company Limited has submitted a Plan for setting up a Power project in Gujarat;

(b) if so, whether the Central and the State Governments have been urged to sanction the same;

(c) what is the total amount involved in setting up of this project;

(d) wheher the Central Government have agreed to the proposal; and

(e) to what extent electricity is likely to be generated on the completion of the projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Setting up of Power Projects in the country by Pvt. Sector

570. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of Power be pleased to state:

(a) what is the response from Private Sector for setting up of power projects in the country;

(b) whether any foreign country including Israel have agreed to assist power projects in the country;

(c) if so, what are the countries which have been allowed to participate in Private Sector;

(d) what is the number of offers made by the Indian Private Sector;

(e) by when these projects are likely to start;

(f) what are the States where these power projects are proposed to be set up: and

(g) what is the extent of power likely to be generated by these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) So far proposals have been received for setting up of 72 power projects in the private sector for 30518.50 MW costing Rs. 96561.78 crores.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) Private companies including NRIs based in UK, USA, Australia as well as private enterpreneurs located in Germany, Japan, Malta and Israel have proposed to set up power projects in the country.

(d) Indian Private sector companies have offered to set up 34 Power projects amounting to 6019.5 MW costing Rs. 16656.00 Crores.

(e) The promoters of the private power projects in India have already signed initial agreements with the concerned SEBs/State Governments and are also pursuing the necessary clearances required such as E&F, Water, availability, techno-economic etc. for setting up of the projects.

(f) and (g) The details of the proposal for setting up of 72 power projects in private sector are given in Annexure. (*See* Appendix CLXIX, Annexure No. 16).

Adopting 6-point action plan

571. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleaed to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Power has adopted a 6-point Action Plan to prevent the immediate collapse of the Northern Power Grid;

(b) if so, whether a meeting of SEB and Cenral Electrical Authority was held in September, 1993;

(c) if so, what are the main proposals discussed and the decisions taken; and

(d) what are the details of 6-point Action Plan and by when it is likely to be implemeted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (d) During the month of August, 1993, the demand for power has been 14 to 15 per cent more than the requirement during the same period last year due to scanty rainfall, higher temperature; floods in Punjab necessitating resowing, of paddy crop etc. Thus, in spite of improved generation; the Northern Grid was ,operating at critical parameters. To discuss this situation, Minister of State for Power convened a meeting of the Chief Executives of all the power utilities in the Northern Region on 2nd September, 1993. It was agreed that:

(i) All the power utilities will make concerted efforts to make payment of current dues for power purchase, coal and railway freight and would also liquidate the arrears in a phased manner.

(ii) all the Constituents of the Northern Region will observe strict grid discipline and will limit their drawals of power from the Grid to their entitled shares;

(iii) the Constituents of the Northern Region will respond favourably to the instructions of the NREB ad will shed load in accordance with the schedules finalised by NREB;

(iv) The Constituents will carry out systematic and equitable load shedding in different areas preferably through prior notification to avoid public inconvenience.

(v) The Chief Executives of the Northern Utilities will meet regularly to review the situation and take appropriate action to ensure safe and secure operation of the Northern Regional Power Grid.